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In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. \$1.56, applicants would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following disclosures, which are listed on Form PTO-1449 (Exhibit A). A copy of the disclosures listed below as items 1-3 are attached as Exhibits 1-3.

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- 1. U.S. Patent No. 5,837,464 (Capon et al.) issued November 17, 1998;
- Young, B. et al., Resistance Mutations In Protease And Reverse Transcriptase Genes Of Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1 Isolates From Patients With Combination Antiretroviral Therapy Failure, <u>Journal of Infectious</u> <u>Diseases</u>, Vol. 178, No.5, pages 1497-1501 (November 1998); and
- 3. Hertogs et al., A Rapid Method For Simultaneous Detection Of Phenotypic Resistance To Inhibitors Of Protease And

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Reverse Transcriptase In Recombinant Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1 Isolates from Patients Treated With Antiretroviral Drugs, <u>Antimicrobial Agents And Chemotherapy</u>, Vol. 42, No. 2, pages 269-276 (February 1998).

PCT International Application No. PCT/US02/01682, filed January 8, 2002 is a foreign counterpart application of the subject application. A Search Report was issued on July 9, 2002 in connection with PCT/US02/01682. A copy of the Search Report is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**. The above listed references 1-3 were cited in the Search Report.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

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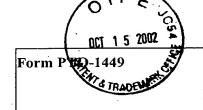
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